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FM USDEL SECRETARY IN GENEVA
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FOR ACTING SECRETARY FROM THE SECRETARY

1. THERE IS INTENSE INTEREST IN THE PRESS CORPS HERE, AND
I ASSUME ALSO IN WASHINGTON, IN OUR REACTION TO THE ISRAELI
ELECTIONS RESULTS. QUESTIONS ARE FOCUSING IN PARTICULAR ON
WHAT THE MAKE-UP OF THENEW ISRAELI GOVERNMENT MAY BE,
SIGNNIFICANCE OF THE ELECTION RESULTS FOR OUR PEACE EFFORTS,
AND WHETHER USG SHARES RESPONSIBOLITY FOR LABOR LOSSES AND
LIKUD GAINS.

2. WE ARE TAKING THE PROSITION WITH THEPRESS, AND DEPARTMENT
OFFICERS SHOULD DO THE SAME, THAT IT IS FUTILE TO SPECULATE
OR ENGAGE IN POST-MORTEMS AT THIS STAGE. WE SHOULD DECLINE
ON BACKGROUND OR OTHERWISE TO GIVE ANY INTERPRETATION OF THE
SIGNIFICANCE OF THE ELECTIONRESULTS OR TO PREDICT
WHAT THE MAKE-UP OF THE NEXT ISRAELI GOVERNMENT WILL BE.
IT S IMPORTANT TO ADHERE CLOSELY TO THIS NO COMMENT
LINE, BOTH BECAUSE THERE ARE SO MANY IMPONDERABLES IN
THE ISRAELI POLITICAL PROCESS THAT ANY SPECULATIONS IS
LIKELY TO BE WIDE OF THE MARK AND BECAUSE ANYTHING WE
SAY CAN ITSELF BECOME AN ISSUE DOMESTICALLY IN ISRAEL.

3. FOR THE IMMEDIATE IMMEDIATE FUTURE, AT LEAST, OUR PUBLIC
POSTURE SHOULD BE THAT WE RECOGNIZE ISRAEL WILL NEED
SOME TIME TO PUT A GOVERNMENT TOGETHER AND THAT, ONCE
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THAT HAPPENS, WE WILL WANT TO GET ON WITH OUR CON-
SULTATIONS WITH ISRAEL ABOUT HOW TO MOVE THE PEACE
PROCESS FORWARD.VANCE

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